IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner: LEFFERS, JR., Gerald G.

In re Application of

ROSIER-MONTUS et al. Art Unit: 1636

Application No.: 09/846,456

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Title: REGULATORY NUCLEIC ACID FOR

THE ABCI GENE, MOLECULES MODIFYING ITS ACTIVITY AND

THERAPEUTIC USES

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111 TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Communication mailed April 5, 2006 in the above-referenced application, Applicants submit the following response. A Petition for a Three Month Extension of Time with authorization for the appropriate fee is concurrently submitted.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5.